

The Robert Stanton House
Stonington, Connecticut

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Historic American Buildings Survey
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29 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, Conn.

THE ROBERT STANTON HOUSE
Stonington, New London County, Conn.

Owner: John Davis, Pawcatuck, Connecticut.

Date of Erection: 1700

Architect or Builder: Robert Stanton

Present Condition: Fair.

Number of Stories: Two and one-half

Materials of Construction: Clapboard front wall
Remainder of exterior shingled
Shingled roof
Central brick chimney
Elaborate stairs and corner cupboard

Other Existing Records; "Old Houses of Connecticut"*Colonial
Dames Series. Historical and photographs

List of Photographs:

1. South Elevation
2. Northwest Elevation
3. Detail-Front Entrance
4. Detail of Stairs
5. Cupboard in Parlor

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This house was erected in 1700 by Robert Stanton and leased to John Davis in 1765. Mr. Davis purchased the property in 1772 and it has since been the birthplace and home of his descendants.

The house was a fine mansion for the times in which it was built and the massive timbers of which the frame is constructed are still in good state of preservation. The staircase is of hand carved mahogany imported from England, and the entry is elaborately wainscoted and panelled as are, also, the principal rooms. In the east room is a handsome cupboard built into one corner, carved at the top in the form of a shell and having quaint ornamental shelves.

The present occupants of the old house are the sixth and seventh generations of those who have borne the name of their honored ancestor, John Davis, who was born in England in 1612 and died in 1696.

Source of Information: Colonial Dames Series "Old Houses of Connecticut".

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